

# **NPI Coalition Meeting**

November 8, 2006

Meeting Minutes

The Coalition Meeting began at 1:00 p.m.

Introductions were given by each of the participants.

Val asked the group about the progress they were having in getting the NPIs. Joanne from MedCenter One stated that for the most part they are all completed and they have them all. Wendy stated that they have not received all of them back but she felt that they were over 70% completed.

The web portal is available and there have not been any problems that we were made aware of.

There have been 3,854 providers or entities that have obtained their NPIs, as of October 16<sup>th</sup>, and 411 of them have registered with us. Val reminded everyone to register their NPIs with Noridian because we need to share that information.

## **ICF MR Claims**

Becky talked about one of the problems we were receiving in getting the NPIs registered, and she used H.I.T. as the example. HIT has many Medicaid provider numbers and those numbers determine what the base rate is so that we know what we can pay them. But since HIT will only get one NPI number, we didn't know how we were going to capture that Medicaid number. We did work it out with Noridian and they are going to be sending us the Medicaid number in a different segment and loop than they send us now. So we will now have a way to identify which provider is billing us.

#### **Dates of Interest**

Depending on the outcome of our acceptance testing, right now we are planning on November 27, 2006, as the date when we will begin accepting NPI numbers and the Medicaid IDs. We will be notifying everyone by use of the RA's when we are definitely ready for this.

May 23, 2007 is when we can accept only the NPI numbers.

The old and new 1500 paper forms will be accepted from October 2<sup>nd</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup> 2007. Beginning April 1, 2007 the old form will be discontinued and only the new form can be used. Also, all rebilling of claims must use the new claim form from April 1<sup>st</sup>.



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The UB-04 will be replacing the UB-92. From March 1<sup>st</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup> the old and the new forms will be accepted. From May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 and going forward, only the UB-04 will be accepted. The only exception is for small health plans, which have an additional year to become NPI compliant.

# Other topics discussed

There is a problem with getting the companion guides up on the web. We are aware of this problem and it is being worked on.

Discussion was made concerning the use of group numbers. Nothing changes there. Instead of using Medicaid numbers you will simply be using NPI numbers instead.

## **Next meeting**

Due to the small turnout for these coalition meetings a question was raised to the group asking them if we could get by with just having the meetings occur every other month instead of monthly. No one had any objection to this so our next meeting will be in January instead of December.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2007 at 1:00 in the AV Room number #212 of the Judicial Wing of the North Dakota State Capital. For those dialing in, call 866-296-6153 and use Event Pass-code 147006#.

If there are any questions or concerns you want brought up at the next meeting you are encouraged to e-mail those questions or concerns to:

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